

## EMULATES HEROINE OF HER OWN STORY

New York Girl Writer Realizes Fancied Fight With Burglar.

### WILD PURSUIT IN STREET

Catches Fugitive and Releases Him When the Crowd Appeals.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—Miss Elsie West, who writes for the magazines, claims no bravery. Yet, single-handed, she caught a man strongly suspected of burglary and thereby acted the part of her own heroine. As if by premonition she wrote a story recently which, realizing, as she said last night, that "premonition is far better than memory, for memory leads to plagiarism."

Miss West lives at 27 East Seventy-fifth street. Returning alone, Miss West was off a Madison avenue car at Seventy-fifth street, about 2 o'clock.

### Thief Approaches.

As she walked toward the apartment house a man who gave his name as Edward Plapier approached her. Plapier carried a woman's coat over his arm, and Miss West recognized the coat. She was certain it was her coat, of red cloth, fur lined, no halting Plapier with a gesture, she asked: "Where did you get that coat?" "It's my coat," answered Plapier, boldly. "I just bought it from a man for \$5."

"I'm sure you did not," retorted Miss West. "That is my coat."

At that Plapier took to his heels. "Plapier, like a scoundrel, is confession," said Miss West to herself, although that truth is not in the original story. Girl in Pursuit.

So she pursued Plapier through Seventy-fifth street to Fifth avenue, where, being athletic, she overtook him and seized him.

"Take the coat and let me go," he panted.

But she held him. Instantly a dozen or fifteen men gathered around her and her prisoner, well-dressed men, who seemed languidly interested in the fact that a handsome girl had captured a man and accused him of theft. But the men did not release Miss West of her prisoner; indeed, one said:

"Now that you have your coat, miss, why not let him follow?"

Which she did.

ARRANGE FUNERAL OF WM. AYDELOTTE

Literary Editor of Public Opinion Has Been Ill Many Months.

After an illness of several years, William Aydelotte, for many years the literary editor of Public Opinion, died yesterday evening at his home, 1335 Fifteenth street northwest. Mr. Aydelotte was sixty-seven years old. Death was caused by lung trouble, he had been confined to his bed for several months from his late home. Arrangements for the funeral have not yet been made, but the burial will be in Arlington Cemetery.

Mr. Aydelotte was born in Oakland, Ind., and received his early education in the schools of his native town. When the civil war began he was one of the first to volunteer and served all through the conflict. About thirty years ago he came to Washington and was correspondent for several Western papers. It was about that time Public Opinion was first issued, and in making up the staff of that periodical the owners chose Mr. Aydelotte as literary editor, which position he held until he became an invalid.

He was well known both in Washington and New York as a newspaper man of ability. Mr. Aydelotte was a widower. He is survived by two brothers, John and Robert Aydelotte.

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## Contest Over Beauty Ends in Serious Riot

Melee in Darkness to Decide Winner of Prize Results in Injuries to Young Women Trampled Under Foot.

WASHINGTON, Pa., Dec. 6.—So beautiful are Miss Nellie Francis and Miss Nellie Simpson that between them not even Paris could have chosen—Paris who handed the apple to Venus and lemons to Juno and Minerva. The mere attempt to choose between the lovely Miss Francis and the beautiful Miss Simpson provoked a riot.

A prize beauty contest was held at district school No. 8, East Findley Township, Washington county. Every girl in the township was a candidate, so every young man hurried to the ball box. A vote cost 50 cents.

Of course, the contest narrowed down to Miss Francis and Miss Simpson; excitement grew, partisanship became bitter. At last it was charged that young men with more enthusiasm than money were voting for Miss Simpson without

paying 50 cents per ballot. Admirers of Miss Francis tore open the ballot box. Instantly began the melee; nor did Greeks and Trojans fight more fiercely over lovely Helen of Troy.

It is charged that Miss Mary Ely, an adherent of Miss Simpson, struck Miss Francis in the face, cutting her severely with a ring. Some one turned out the lights. Miss Francis, Miss Simpson, and some other young women promptly fainted.

As the warriors struggled in the dark they trampled the prostrate girls or were knocked unconscious to add to the heap of injured.

When the fight ended, Miss Francis and Miss Simpson were not nearly as beautiful as before, and half the young men in the township needed repairs. Two physicians were busy all night. Miss Edna Simpson, teacher of the school and sister of the beauty, has secured the names of rioters and will immediately lay information against them to the authorities.

COLD STORAGE FOOD IS NOT INJURIOUS

Report of Health Officer Woodward to Citizens' Association.

Cold storage food is not injurious to health, is the reply given by Health Officer W. C. Woodward to criticisms made by members of the Columbia Heights Citizens' Association that there are hundreds of tons of foodstuffs in cold storage in the District unit for use.

Frequent inspections of cold storage foods are made, Dr. Woodward states, and the danger to health from this source is remote.

Many of the cold storage plants, the Health Officer states, are used by several market dealers in conjunction, and it is therefore unreasonable to suppose that any one of their number would be permitted to keep decayed foods in storage.

In connection with his statement, Dr. Woodward cites a report of a recent inspection made by Inspector W. H. Hoover, showing that in 125 stores and seventeen markets visited, he condemned 100 pounds of mutton, forty of beef, seventeen of sausage, eight of corn, and five of bacon.

MR. CURTIS' LECTURE TONIGHT.

The first lecture of a course to be given in the Sunday school room of the Church of the Epiphany has been scheduled for tonight, when W. E. Curtis will speak on "The Heart of the Andes."

The lecture will be illustrated by stereoscopic views which have been specially furnished for this occasion.

REDFERN GAVE ALL TO SCHOOL.

The St. Rose Apostolic School, G street between Seventeenth and Eighteenth streets, is named as final beneficiary in the will of Joseph L. Redfern, dated July 29, 1906, which has been offered for probate.

Pythian Temple, at Ninth and K streets, was last night the scene of a pretty dance, given by the Commercial Telegraphers' Union for the benefit of a club to be established for the telegraph operators and newspaper men.

The affair was a success in every particular, being largely attended.

The feature of the evening was the contest for a bouquet of chrysanthemums to the most popular young lady present. Miss Bessie Wallace being the winner.

Miss Ola Grove was the winner of a large cake as the best dancer present.

Miss Wallace made a graceful speech of acceptance, as did Miss Grove. At intermission dancers and spectators adjourned to the banquet room, where ice cream and cake were served.

The committee in charge of the dance was composed of William Bradford, F. H. Lantz, E. R. Edmunds, E. M. Canaday, R. Patton, P. R. Anderson, E. S. Queen, W. F. Scherer, and W. H. Trotter.

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HEIRESS TO WED DESPITE FATHER

Millionaire's Daughter Remains True to Former St. Louis Hotel Clerk.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 6.—Her wealthy father objects, but Miss Handian will be married to M. Dwight Fortner, a real estate dealer, at the Hotel Jefferson.

Fortner was a clerk at the Jefferson two years ago, when Miss Handian was one of the rich guests. The father introduced them.

It is understood that Mr. Handian will not be present at the marriage, but Mrs. Handian favors it, and will attend. The couple will go to housekeeping in apartments the bridegroom has furnished in this city.

Miss Handian is the third daughter of A. H. Handian, who is the head of the Handian & Buck Company, a millionaire.

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Already hundreds of dollars' worth of food stuffs have been given away, and as many more will be disposed of before the exhibit is concluded, the amount will easily run up into the thousands.

Besides these, there are a \$300 piano, \$50 buggy and other articles which will be disposed of through free voting contests. Every one entering the hall is handed a coupon with which to cast his vote.

Many attractive numbers were added to the musical program last night, including a performance on musical bells.

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SUIT OVER PROPERTY VALUED AT \$105,000

Joseph Ferrero has appealed to the District Supreme Court to compel Frank A. Harrison to assign to him a one-half interest in a contract to purchase certain real estate, and also have the court to decree him to be a trustee for him.

Joseph S. Just, Katie McPeck, and Lillie M. McCellan are also named as defendants in the litigation. The property involved is eight lots, four on Louisiana avenue and four on B street, and is valued at \$105,000.

Mr. Ferrero says he engaged Mr. Harrison to perform the purchase of the property for himself and Mr. Just. He says, however, that Mr. Harrison did not do this, and without his knowledge bought the real estate for the defendants, Peck and McCellan.

CITIZENS MEET TONIGHT.

Consideration of questions of vital interest to citizens of Capital Hill will be given this evening when the East Washington Citizens' Association will hold its monthly meeting in Donnelly's Hall, 314 Pennsylvania avenue southeast.

Georgia avenue, grade crossings and cross-town railroads will be the special order of business.

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